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, E FULLY CONCUR IN PROPOSED TRANSMITTAL TO UNHCR, ICRC,
AND FRENCH EMBASSY IN BANGKOK OF NAMES OF AMERICAN CHILDREN
AND OTHERS STRANDED IN VIETNAM. WE AGREE WITH REFTEL ASS-
ESSMENT OF THEIR PLIGHT, WHICH AGREES WITH INFORMATION
AVAILABLE HERE. YOU SHOULD NOTE THAT THESE NAMES ARE ONLY
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LY TO UNHCR AND ICRC BY INDIVIDUALS AND RELATIVES.

2. IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS ON THIS SUBJECT, SUGGEST YOU POINT OUT THAT PARENTS AND OTHER RELATIVES IN U.S. OF THE CHILDREN HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR POSSIBLE DEPARTURE SINCE THE AUGUST FIRST EVACUATION PERIOD. AMERICAN RED CROSS, CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES, WHITE HOUSE, AND DEPT. HAVE HAD NUMEROUS INQUIRIES ABOUT THE CHILDREN AND OTHER RELATIVES IN VIETNAM.

3. SUBJECT TO BANGKOK'S CONCURRENCE, WE SUGGEST GENEVA FOLLOW-UP WITH ICRC AND UNHCR TO REQUEST WHATEVER FURTHER ASSISTANCE THEY CAN PROVIDE TO OBTAIN DEPARTURE FROM VIETNAM OF SUCH PERSONS. KISSINGER

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